## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Concerning

ADOPTION OF ORDER TO
AMEND CEASE AND DESIST ORDER R5-2015-0128
FOR
COLLINS PINE COMPANY
CHESTER SAWMILL
PLUMAS COUNTY

On 5 February 2009, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order R5-2009-0015 (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA0004391) for Collins Pine Company's (Discharger) Chester Sawmill (Facility). The Discharger owns and operates electrical cogeneration and sawmill facilities that results in the production and discharge of treated process wastewater, up to 0.36 million gallons per day, into Stover Ditch (a tributary to Lake Almanor), a water of the United States. WDR Order R5-2009-0015 contains, in part, final copper and lead effluent limits for which the Discharger could not immediately comply. Therefore, on 11 December 2015, the Executive Officer of the Central Valley Water Board issued Cease and Desist Order (CDO) R5-2015-0128, which included interim effluent limits for copper and lead and a time schedule for the Discharger to come into compliance.

On 29 July 2016, the Discharger submitted a letter to the Central Valley Water Board requesting an extension of the final compliance date written within CDO R5-2015-0128. Based on current scheduling issues (i.e., delays in obtaining a minor prevention of significant deterioration air permit modification from the United States Environmental Protection Agency) the Discharger's best approximation for final compliance is 1 January 2018. The Executive Officer of the Central Valley Water Board concurs with the Discharger's findings (i.e., compliance with CDO R5-2015-0128 was not possible due to circumstances beyond the Discharger's control). Therefore, the Central Valley Water Board will consider amending CDO R5-2015-0128 and extending the final compliance date to 1 January 2018.

A public hearing to address this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE:

5/6 December 2016

TIME:

8:30 am

PLACE:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

11020 Sun Center Drive #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114 The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

## Collins Pine Company

<u>Designated parties</u> but not interested persons will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 pm on 31 October 2016**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is affected by the discharge.

Public notification for the intended amendment of CDO R5-2015-0128 was issued on **30 September 2016**. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 pm on 31 October 2016**. Written materials submitted after this date and time will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative documents should contact Zack Chandler at (530) 224-4206, or at zchandler@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvallev/board decisions/tentative orders/

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_info/agendas/

at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, § 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code § 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml

or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Clint E. Sylyder, P.G. Assistant Executive Officer

30 September 2016